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SUBJECT: LOAN 614-B-001 PAYMENT DUE 6/30/74.

REF: LONDON 15248, 16251, STATE 255641 AND LUSAKA 2579
DEC. 20, 1974.

1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE ABOVE QUOTED TELEGRAMS
AND LONDON'S REFUND VOUCHER 232-004019 OF JANUARY 1,
1975.

2. DESPITE THE FINANCIAL CONTROLLER OF ZAMBIAN
RAILWAY'S CONCURRENCE THAT THE SUM OF 102,003.67 POUNDS
STERLING SHOULD BE RETAINED AS PAYMENT FOR JUNE 30,
1975, ONLY 100,191.31 POUNDS STERLING WAS ACTUALLY
TRANSFERRED THRU THEIR BANK IN LUSAKA TO THE NATIONAL
WESTMINSTER BANK IN LONDON.

3. THE CONFUSION WAS ORIGINALLY CAUSED BY BANKING
ERRORS BETWEEN THE NATIONAL COMMERCIAL BANK IN LUSAKA,
THE NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK AND THE CHASE MANHATTAN
BANK IN LONDON. HOWEVER, PROLONGED NEGOTIATIONS
BETWEEN THESE BANKS HAS REACHED DEADLOCK AND THE
NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK HERE APPEALED TO THIS EMBASSY
TO ASSIST THEM IN OBTAINING A REFUND IN THE AMOUNT DUE
TO THEM OF 1,812.36 POUNDS STERLING.

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4. AT PRESENT THE ZAMBIAN RAILWAYS ARE CREDITED WITH THIS SUM, IN ACTUAL FACT THE NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK IN LONDON TRANSFERRED THE AMOUNT TO THIS EMBASSY THRU THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK IN LONDON.

5. THIS EMBASSY HAS PREPARED A REFUND VOUCHER IN FAVOR OF THE NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK, LONDON, DEBITING LOAN 6L4-B-001 ACCOUNT 20FT 112 PAYMENT DUE 6/30/74.

6. EXPEDITIOUS AUTHORIZATION TO EFFECT THIS REFUND WILL BE APPRECIATED.

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